

Face Masks

The wearing of face masks is no longer mandated by the government. However, people may feel more comfortable wearing a mask and especially for singing, which we really appreciate being able to do again.

Social Distancing

The government has announced that social- distancing is no longer required, and we have removed our seating plans in both churches. However, a number of people have indicated that they would still like to have a little space. There is always plenty of space at the front of the church!!! I would ask people to respect others' need for space. The North Transept of St Philip and St James' Church will continue to have a seating plan where those who would like to be socially-distanced from others may sit.

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Greeting
Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Opening Responses for Pentecost God speaks to us in the riches of creation.

God speaks to us in the stories of Jesus.

God speaks to us in the lives of other people.

God speaks to us in words and ways that we can understand.

God says: I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Christ says: I will ask the Father and he will give you another Counsellor to be with you for ever.

The Spirit has come. Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, gentle as a dove, burning as a fire, powerful as the wind.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Hymn No. 294 (Down Ampney)

[Verses 1 and 2]
Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardour
glowing;

O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.



Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden;

cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,

that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Penitence

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

This is the first and great commandment.

And the second is like it.

You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.

Lord, have mercy on us, and write these laws in our hearts.

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to intercede for us in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.

(Please sit or kneel)

[Silence]

The Penitential Kyries for Pentecost

Great and wonderful are your deeds, Lord God the Almighty. Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy

You are the King of glory, O Christ. Christ, have mercy
Christ, have mercy

Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire. Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy

[Please stand, if you are able]

Gloria - Hymn No. 355 (Holy is the Lord) [Verse 4 only]

Glory, glory, glory to the Lord; glory to the Lord God almighty! Glory, glory, glory to the Lord; glory to the Lord God almighty! who was, and is, and is to come: glory, glory, glory to the Lord!

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Collect of Pentecost Sunday - Whit Sunday

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

[Please sit]

The First Reading - Acts 2: 2-21

2When the day of Pentecost had

come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of

each. Amazed and astonished, they asked. 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.'12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine."

14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ "In the last days it will be, God declares,

flesh, and your sons and your daughters

that I will pour out my Spirit upon all

shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and

women,

in those days I will pour out my Spirit;

and they shall prophesy.

19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness

and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn - Hymn No. 294 (Down Ampney) [Verses 3 and 4]

Let holy charity
mine outward vesture be,
and lowliness become mine inner
clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part,
and o'er its own shortcomings weeps
with loathing.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till we become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.



[Please stand, if you are able]

The Holy Gospel - John 14: 8-17, 25-27

Hear the Gospel of our Saviour Christ, according to John, chapter 14 beginning at verse 8.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

8 Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' 9 Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? 10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me: but if you do not, then believe me because of the work themselves.

¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

15 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. ¹⁷This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive. because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 25 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you. 26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. 27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The Sermon

[Please stand, if you are able]

An Affirmation of Faith for Pentecost John Harvey in Fire and Bread

We believe in a loving God, whose Word sustains our lives and the work of our hands in the world.

God is life.

We believe in God's Son amongst us,

sowing the seed of life's renewal. He lived with the poor to show the meaning of love.

Jesus Christ is Lord.

We believe in the Holy Spirit of Life, making us one with God, renewing our strength with Her own.

The Spirit is love. Amen.

[Please kneel or sit]

<u>Intercessions</u>
Come, Holy Spirit:

renew and refresh us.

Merciful Father, accept these our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Due to the Covid-19, it is felt that we should continue to refrain from shaking hands as a sign of peace... maybe a smile or a wave would be good!

(Please stand, if you are able)

The Introduction to the Peace for Pentecost

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace. If we live in the Spirit, let us walk in the Spirit.

Galatians 5: 22

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

We are continuing to be cautious regarding Covid-19, and therefore, we will not be passing around baskets for the collection. Instead, we will be having a retiring collection; there are baskets at the doors of the church in which you may place your collection or envelope. Thank you to those who give via online banking. If you wish to donate to the church online or electronically, the treasurers would be happy to give you the required details

Offertory Hymn - Sudden from out the Air (Moscow) Words by Leith Fisher

[Verses 1 and 2]

Sudden from out the air to those becalmed in care blows wild the wind: with strong and powerful sound, with dancing fire around, the Spirit comes to ground in every mind.

Spirit of then and now, teach us, your people, how to wait on you; send now your living fire; our minds and hearts inspire, that we may never tire on the way true.

THE MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Taking of the Bread and Wine Christ, our passover has been sacrificed for us, therefore let us celebrate the feast.

The Great Thanksgiving - Prayer 1
The Lord is here.

His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Father, almighty and everliving God, at all times and in all places it is right to give you thanks and praise:

through Jesus Christ our Lord, according to whose promise the Holy Spirit came to dwell in us, making us your children, and giving us power to proclaim the gospel throughout the world: and so with all your people, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying:

Hymn No. 355 (Holy is the Lord)

[Verse 1 only]

Holy, holy holy is the Lord;

holy is the Lord God almighty!
Holy, holy holy is the Lord;
holy is the Lord God almighty!
who was, and is, and is to come:
holy, holy holy is the Lord!

(Please feel free to stand, sit or kneel)
Blessed are you, Father, the creator and sustainer of all things; you made us in your own image; male and female you created us; even when we turned away from you, you never ceased to care for us, but in your love and mercy you freed us from the slavery of sin, giving your only begotten Son to become man and suffer death on the cross to redeem us;

he made there the one complete and all-sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world: he instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again:

On the night that he was betrayed he took bread;

and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup;

and when he had given thanks to you, he gave it to them, saying, Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of

sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup we do as Christ your Son commanded:

we remember his passion and death,

we celebrate his resurrection and ascension,

and we look for the coming of his kingdom.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;

and as we eat and drink these holy gifts,

grant by the power of the life-giving Spirit that we may be made one in your holy Church and partakers of the body and blood of your Son, that he may dwell in us and we in him:

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer



Breaking of the Bread

Jesus' disciples recognised him in the breaking of the bread:

may we recognise him in our midst and in each other.

The Invitation

In the interests of keeping people as safe as possible, Holy Communion is administered via individual cups in wooden blocks. If you did not pick up a little wooden block with the little cups containing consecrated bread and wine, as you came into the church, please go to the nearest door and take one. You will then give yourself Holy Communion at the appropriate time.

The Communion



The Great Silence

You are invited to take some time to reflect, having received Holy Communion.

The Post Communion Prayer
Faithful God,
who fulfilled the promises of
Easter
by sending us your Holy Spirit
and opening to every race and
nation the way of life eternal:

open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing for Pentecost

The Spirit of truth lead you into all truth,

give you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

and to proclaim the words and works of God:

and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen*.

Hymn - Sudden from out the Air

(Moscow) Words by Leith Fisher [Verses 3 and 4]

Explode in power and light upon the darkened sight of each and all; unblock our deafened ear, remove our cautious fear, among your people here awake your call.

Send us out to the street, where people pass and meet, with words to say of freedom and release, of hope and love and peace: through us may you increase Christ's living way.

The Dismissal

God of fire and beauty: warm us.

God of peace and justice: disturb us.

God of wind and wonder:

God of Pentecost: kindle your love in our lives.

Go in the peace of the Risen Christ.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Alleluia!



In the interests of trying to keep all who come to our churches safe, please take away this service sheet and any other items that you may have brought with you or used in church this morning. Thank you.

Stay well and stay safe.

Forthcoming Services

Sunday 12th June 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.00 Morning Prayer and Dedication of Communion Linen in memory of Ann and Joe Breadon, in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Morning Prayer in St Philip and St James' Church, which will also be live-

streamed.

18.30 Sausage Service, in St Philip and St James' Church, followed by supper in the Parish Centre.

Sunday 19th June 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.00 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

11.00 Holy Communion in St Philip and St James' Church, which will also be livestreamed.

Sunday 26th June 2022

8.30 Holy Communion in St Thomas' Church

10.00 Holy Baptism in St Thomas' Church 11.00 Service of the Word in St Philip and St James' Church, which will also be livestreamed.

History of the Parishes

Michael Lee is compiling a history of our parishes for our forthcoming celebrations in 2024:

2021 - 200th anniversary of the foundation of the Parish of Booterstown

2024 - 200th anniversary of the consecration of St Philip and St James' Church

2024 – 150th anniversary of the consecration of St Thomas' Church
2026 - 200th anniversary of the foundation of Booterstown National School

Mike has interviewed some of the parishioners of both churches, about their memories, stories and experience but he really would like more stories and photographs if you have them. "Do not

think that your story is not interesting enough, all will help make up the wonderful different strands that will enrich the colourful weave of the story of these historic churches."

Please email your story/stories, or contact Mike at mikelee2653@gmail.com



Gardening Blitz

NB Change of Date

Now on Thursday 9th June 2022 10.00-12.00 hours

St Thomas' Church Grounds

Bring gardening tools and gloves

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Tuesday afternoon—3.30pm—4.10pm Contact Irene on 087-2755423



MOUNT MERRION ECUMENICAL SOCIETY GOLF OUTING

This year, the 56th outing will take place in Elm Park Golf Club on Tuesday 7th June 2022. All members of our two parishes are welcome to play. The timesheet is currently available in John O'Reilly's Butchers (01-2889949) on Deerpark Road.

If you are not able to play golf that day, but would like to go to the dinner in the evening in Elm Park Golf Club, you are more than welcome to do that too. Again, please contact John O'Reilly.This is always a fun outing with much craic and camaraderie with our neighbours.

